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GOVERNOR MUSGROVE ANNOUNCES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT

JACKSON, Miss. – Governor Ronnie Musgrove recently announced that the Town of Sledge has been awarded a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$300,000 for public improvements.

The Small Municipalities CDBG will be used to restore the community's elevated water tank and the system's primary well. This well has been inoperable since 1998. The improvements will create a safer storage and backup water supply for the Town of Sledge.

"The Mississippi Development Authority (MDA) is pleased to play a role in the economic growth and improved quality of life of Sledge," commented J.C. Burns, Executive Director of MDA.

CDBG is a program of the Community Services Division of the Mississippi Development Authority. Among the division's goals are assisting communities in analyzing their strengths and weaknesses, involving their leadership in economic development, planning development strategies, strengthening development organizations, and implementing and financing community projects. The Community Services Division also administers other Economic Development grant and loan programs.

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